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PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES:	DENTAL HYGIENE APPEALS PANEL, BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
DATE AND TIME:	Thursday, August 7, 2008 at 5:30 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , Second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	

MEMBERS PRESENT

Devon Sadlowski, DDS, Chairperson
David Bonar, Public Member
Shannon Myers, RDH

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Allison Reardon, Deputy Attorney General
Jennifer Myer, Administrative Specialist II

ALSO PRESENT (Include other members of the public present)

Vera T. Sitze, Court Reporter, Wilcox and Fetzer
Laurie Brannen, RDH, Appellate
Yeh Pham
Victor Battaglia, Esq.
David S Williams, DMD President, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
Wanda G. Smith, DDS, Professional Member, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
Fay Rust, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Committee, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
James Scott King, Public Member, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
Neil McAneny, DDS, Professional Member, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
Blair Jones, DMD, Professional Member, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
Bonnie Thomas, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Committee, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
Laureen Coyle, RDH, Professional Member, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners
John Kirby, Public Member, Delaware Board of Dental Examiners

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Reardon called the hearing to order at 5:35 pm.

DENTAL HYGIENE APPEALS PANEL HEARING OF LAURIE BRANNEN

Ms. Reardon, Deputy Attorney General advising the Appeals Panel, began the hearing with opening remarks. Ms. Reardon entered into record Appeal Panel Exhibit 1 and Appellate Exhibit 1.

It was noted that Dr. Sadlowski is Ms. Thomas' employer. Ms. Thomas is one of the examiners who graded Ms. Brannen. There were no objections to Dr. Sadlowski being on the panel.

Opening statements given by Ms. Battaglia, attorney for the appellant. Mr. Battaglia questioned Ms. Brannen, her patient, Ms. Pham, Dr. McAneny, Ms. Coyle and Ms. Thomas.

The Appeals Panel did not question any witnesses.

Mr. Battaglia presented a closing statement.

The Panel went off the record at that time to deliberate. Ms. Reardon advised the panel to review if the appellant carried the burden of proof that she received fair and accurate scoring.

The Panel discussed the fact that the examiners did not take off points for the same mistakes but that each found different areas that were at fault.

The Panel went back on the record after deliberating. Mr. Bonar made a motion, seconded by Ms.

Myers to uphold the scores as issued and keep the failing grade. The motion was unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the hearing was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer L Myer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jennifer L Myer
Administrative Specialist II

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